

REMARKS

The present Amendment clearly places this Application in condition for immediate allowance by canceling the only rejected claim leaving only allowed claims. Moreover, it is apparent that the present Amendment does not generate any new matter issue or any new issue for that matter. Accordingly, entry of the present Amendment and Remarks, and favorable consideration, are solicited pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

Claim 2 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 for lack of novelty as evidenced by Emmert.

This rejection is traversed. Indeed, this rejection has been rendered moot by canceling claim 2.


Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's allowance of claims 1 and 3 through 5. As claims 1 and 3 through 5 are the only pending claims, this Application is in clear condition for immediate allowance. Favorable consideration is, therefore, solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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